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SUBJ: GATT SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES

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1. GATT D.G. LONG HAS PRODUCED RECOMMENDED TEMPORARY ACTION ON SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES PROMISED AT FEBRUARY 24 COUNCIL (REFTEL). DOCUMENT C/92, 14 MARCH, BEING POUCHED IO/OIC (BASS), EB/GCP (WILLIAMS) AND NORMAL WASHINGTON DISTRIBUTION ON MARCH 15.

2. KEY PARAGRAPHS READ:

"THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL PROPOSES THAT, FOR 1974, A REFUND TOTALLING SWF 514,409 BE MADE TO THE STAFF IN THE PROFESSIONAL CATEGORY AND ABOVE WHO WERE LISTED ON GATT'S PAYROLL IN THE COURSE OF THE YEAR 1974 AS A PARTIAL INDEMNITY FOR LOSSES INCURRED DUE TO EXCHANGE RATE FLUCTUATIONS. THE AMOUNTS TO BE REFUNDED HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY AN ACROSS-THE-BOARD PERCENTAGE IN ORDER NOT TO EXCEED THAT PART OF THE 1974 YEAR-END SURPLUS WHICH IT IS PROPOSED TO MAKE AVAILABLE FOR THIS PURPOSE. THUS, THE PROVISION MADE BY THE CONTRACTING PARTIES AT THEIR THIRTIETH SESSION, WHEN ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, FOR SWF 20,000

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TO BE EARMARKED FOR PAYMENT IN 1975 TO THE STAFF ASSISTANCE FUND;

FOR SWF 1,250,000 TO BE EARMARKED TOWARD 1975 INCOME; AND FOR
THE BALANCE OF THE SURPLUS, AT THAT TIME ESTIMATED AT SWF 1,250,000.
TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE BUILDING FUND, WOULD BE MAINTAINED.

"FOR 1975, IN ORDER TO ALLEVIATE THE SITUATION AND AS A TEMPORARY,
PARTIAL AD HOC SOLUTION, PENDING A POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT BY THE
COMPETENT BODIES, IT IS PROPOSED THAT THE SALARIES AND RELATED
ALLOWANCES OF PROFESSIONAL STAFF BE CALCULATED AT THE RATE OF SWF
2.98/\$1

THIS RATE WAS USED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GATT 1975 BUDGET
ESTIMATES AND, THEREFORE, THE PROPOSAL WOULD NOT ENTAIL THE ASSESSMENT

OF ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS ON CONTRACTING PARTIES. SHOULD THE
EXCHANGE

RATE FLUCTUATE DRASTICALLY IN THE COURSE OF 1975, THE DIRECTOR-
GENERAL

WOULD WISH TO REVERT TO THIS MATTER."

3. MATTER IS NOT ON MARCH 24 CONCIL AGENDA
AND IT NOT YET CLEAR WHERE AND WHEN PROPOSAL WILL BE DISCUSSED.
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